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MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY  
DEPARTMENTS

SUBJECT: Current Use of Non-Instrumented Testing Devices (NITD) in Support  
of the Urinalysis Drug Testing Program

My office has become aware that both the Department of the Navy and the U.S. Army Recruiting Command have established policies allowing the use of a non-laboratory based NITD for pre-accession drug field screening of military service applicants (Tab A and Tab B).

In accordance with Department of Defense Instruction (DODI) 1010.16, before a Military Department conducts field tests of urine specimens, the Military Department must receive approval from the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Counternarcotics.

Services that wish to continue use of non-approved NITD must submit a request for approval by 1 Sept, 2005 accompanied by the following:

- Executive summary detailing historical records to show at a minimum (by fiscal year): the number NITD tests conducted and all illicit drug positives (to include type of drug and the administrative action taken on all positive tests).
- Proposed policy pertaining to the use of NITD.

My point of contact for this matter is COL Ronald Shippee, USA, at, (703) 697-5607.

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Attachments  
As stated